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ANTIMICROBIALS IN THE U.S.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the public health impacts of antimicrobial resistant bacterial infections in the United States, focusing on current antimicrobials and continued development of new solutions for the future protection against infectious diseases, after receiving testimony from Fred C. Tenover, Director, Office of Antimicrobial Resistance, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Rear Admiral Linda Tollefson, Assistant Commissioner for Science, United States Food and Drug

Administration, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Jay P. Graham, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, Maryland; Lyle Vogel, American Veterinary Medical Association, Schaumburg, Illinois; Patrick J. Brennan, University of Pennsylvania Health System, Philadelphia, on behalf of the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America; Barry I. Eisenstein, Cubist Pharmaceuticals, Lexington, Massachusetts; and Brandon Noble, Chester Springs, Pennsylvania.

CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law concluded a hearing to examine the issue of genocide from Nuremberg to Darfur, focusing on accountability for crimes against humanity, after receiving testimony from Gayle E. Smith, ENOUGH Project, and Diane Orentlicher, American University Washington College of Law, both of Washington, D.C.; Joey Cheek, Team Darfur, Greensboro, North Carolina; and Daoud Ibrahim Hari, Baltimore, Maryland.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 6352–6361; and 10 resolutions, H.J. Res. 95; H. Con. Res. 378–381; and H. Res. 1296, 1300–1303, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1297, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6275) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide individuals temporary relief from the alternative minimum tax (H. Rept. 110–731);

H. Res. 1298, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2176) to provide for and approve the settlement of certain land claims of the Bay Mills Indian Community (H. Rept. 110–732); and

H. Res. 1299, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3195) to restore the intent and protections of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (H. Rept. 110–733).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Berkley to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:48 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a ye-and-nay vote of 239 yeas to 181 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 446.

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Discharge Petition: Representative Kuhl (NY) moved to discharge the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform from the consideration of H.R. 5656, to repeal a requirement with respect to the procurement and acquisition of alternative fuels (Discharge Petition No. 10).

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Sullivan motion to adjourn by a ye-and-nay vote of 87 yeas to 299 nays, Roll No. 441.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Culberson motion to adjourn by a ye-and-nay vote of 75 yeas to 309 nays, Roll No. 442.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Amending titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to extend expiring provisions under

the Medicare Program, to improve beneficiary access to preventive and mental health services, to enhance low-income benefit programs, and to maintain access to care in rural areas, including pharmacy access: H.R. 6331, amended, to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to extend expiring provisions under the Medicare Program, to improve beneficiary access to preventive and mental health services, to enhance low-income benefit programs, and to maintain access to care in rural areas, including pharmacy access, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nay vote of 355 yeas to 59 nays, Roll No. 443;

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Federal Aviation Administration Extension Act of 2008: H.R. 6327, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 422 yeas with none voting “no”, Roll No. 447;

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Fostering Connections to Success Act: H.R. 6307, amended, to amend parts B and E of title IV of the Social Security Act to assist children in foster care in developing or maintaining connections to family, community, support, health care, and school;

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Veterans' Epilepsy Treatment Act of 2008: H.R. 2818, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of Epilepsy Centers of Excellence in the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the establishment of epilepsy centers of excellence in the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs.”.

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Euripides Rubio Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic Designation Act: H.R. 4289, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Ponce, Puerto Rico, as the “Euripides Rubio Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic”;

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Credit Union, Bank, and Thrift Regulatory Relief Act of 2008: H.R. 6312, to advance credit union efforts to promote economic growth, modify credit union regulatory standards and reduce burdens, and to provide regulatory relief and improve productivity for insured depository institutions;

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Expressing heartfelt sympathy for the victims and their families following the tornado that hit Little Sioux, Iowa, on June 11, 2008: H. Res. 1283, to express heartfelt sympathy for the victims

and their families following the tornado that hit Little Sioux, Iowa, on June 11, 2008; and

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Federal Advisory Committee Act Amendments of 2008: H.R. 5687, amended, to amend the Federal Advisory Committee Act to increase the transparency and accountability of Federal advisory committees.

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Adjournment Resolution: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 379, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate, by a yeas-and-nay vote of 225 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 445.

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Stop Child Abuse in Residential Programs for Teens Act of 2008: The House began consideration of H.R. 5876, to require certain standards and enforcement provisions to prevent child abuse and neglect in residential programs. Further proceedings were postponed.

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Representative Bachmann moved to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and Labor with instructions to report the same back to the House promptly with an amendment. Further proceedings were postponed.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule.

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Accepted:

George Miller (CA) manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 110–717) that makes three changes to the definition of “covered program”, expands the definition to include public residential programs, and strikes the exclusion of psychiatric residential treatment facilities and the exclusion of foster care group homes. The amendment strikes the requirement for the Secretary of HHS to make unannounced site inspections of covered programs at least once every two years, and it strikes Section 5. The amendment requires the Secretary to report to Congress on the activities of the national toll-free hotline, directs the Secretary to conduct a study on the outcomes of residential programs, and amends one of the standards to require a timeline about notifying parents (by a recorded vote of 422 yeas with none voting “no”, Roll No. 444).

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H. Res. 1276, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Friday, June 20th.

Discharge Petition: Representative Tancredo moved to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of H. Res. 1240, providing for the consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 111) establishing

a Select Committee on POW and MIA Affairs (Discharge Petition No. 11).

Suspension—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Protecting consumers from price-gouging of gasoline and other fuels: H.R. 6346, amended, to protect consumers from price-gouging of gasoline and other fuels, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 276 yeas to 146 nays, Roll No. 448. **Pages H5934–49, H5964–65**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Save for Retirement Week: H. Res. 1294, to support the goals and ideals of National Save for Retirement Week; **Pages H5932–34**

Expressing the sense of Congress in support of further research and activities to increase public awareness, professional education, diagnosis, and treatment of Dandy-Walker syndrome and hydrocephalus: H. Con. Res. 163, amended, to express the sense of Congress in support of further research and activities to increase public awareness, professional education, diagnosis, and treatment of Dandy-Walker syndrome and hydrocephalus; **Pages H5940–42**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be an increased Federal commitment supporting the development of innovative advanced imaging technologies for prostate cancer detection and treatment: H. Res. 353, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be an increased Federal commitment supporting the development of innovative advanced imaging technologies for prostate cancer detection and treatment; **Pages H5942–44**

Supporting the goals and ideals of the Year of the American Veteran: H. Res. 1098, to support the goals and ideals of the Year of the American Veteran; **Pages H5965–68**

Supporting the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day: H. Res. 1231, to support the goals and ideals of Vietnam Veterans Day and calling on the American people to recognize such a day; **Pages H5968–69**

Elwood “Bud” Link Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic Designation Act: H.R. 2245, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Wenatchee, Washington, as the Elwood “Bud” Link Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic; **Pages H5969–70**

Michael Bilirakis Department of Veterans Affairs Spinal Cord Injury Center Designation Act:

H.R. 4264, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs spinal cord injury center in Tampa, Florida, as the “Michael Bilirakis Department of Veterans Affairs Spinal Cord Injury Center”; **Pages H5970–72**

Bruce W. Carter Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center Designation Act: H.R. 4918, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Miami, Florida, as the “Bruce W. Carter Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center”; **Pages H5974–75**

Expressing gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary: H. Res. 1291, to express gratitude for the contributions of the American GI Forum on its 60th anniversary; **Pages H5975–77**

Recognizing National Homeownership Month and the importance of homeownership in the United States: H. Res. 1271, to recognize National Homeownership Month and the importance of homeownership in the United States; **Pages H5977–79**

Expressing support for designation of September 2008 as “Gospel Music Heritage Month” and honoring gospel music for its valuable and long-standing contributions to the culture of the United States: H. Con. Res. 370, to express support for designation of September 2008 as “Gospel Music Heritage Month” and to honor gospel music for its valuable and longstanding contributions to the culture of the United States; **Pages H5984–88**

Expressing the sense of the Congress that a National Dysphagia Awareness Month should be established: H. Con. Res. 195, to express the sense of the Congress that a National Dysphagia Awareness Month should be established; **Pages H5991–92**

Expressing support for designation of June 30 as “National Corvette Day”: H. Res. 970, to express support for designation of June 30 as “National Corvette Day”; and **Pages H5992–93**

Honoring the life of Robert Mondavi: H. Con. Res. 365, to honor the life of Robert Mondavi. **Pages H5993–94**

CPSC Reform Act—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House began consideration of the Kirk motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 4040, to establish consumer product safety standards and other safety requirements for children’s products and to reauthorize and modernize the Consumer Product Safety Commission. Further proceedings were postponed. **Pages H5997–98**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to the Western Balkans is to continue in effect beyond June 26,

2008—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110–127). **Page H5965**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5872.

Senate Referrals: S. 3180 was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor. **Page H6008**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5875–76, H5904–05, H5916, H5960–61, H5962–63, H5963–64, H5964, and H5964–65. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 10:56 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ENERGY MARKETS TRADING

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing to review trading in energy markets. Testimony was heard from Walter Lukken, Acting Chairman, CFTC.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS' AFFAIRS AND HOMELAND APPROPRIATIONS; BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following: Report on the Suballocation of Budget Allocations, Fiscal Year 2009; Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations, Fiscal Year 2008; and as amended, the Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2009: Military Construction, Veterans' Affairs, and Related Agencies; and Homeland Security.

CLASSIFIED APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Intelligence Oversight Panel met in executive session and approved Recommendations for Classified Appropriations.

SAFE COMMISSION ACT—LONG-TERM FISCAL CHALLENGE

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on H.R. 3654, SAFE Commission Act, and the Long-Term Fiscal Challenge. Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, former Comptroller General, GAO; and public witnesses.

IS OSHA FAILING TO ADEQUATELY ENFORCE CONSTRUCTION SAFETY RULES

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on Is OSHA Failing to Adequately Enforce Construction Safety Rules? Testimony was heard from Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health, Department of Labor; Robert LiMandri, Acting Building Commissioner, New York City; and public witnesses.

HEALTH EQUITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2007

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on H.R. 3014, Health Equity and Accountability Act of 2007. Testimony was heard from Representative Clyburn; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: John Ruffin, Director, National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities, NIH; and Garth Graham, M.D., Deputy Assistant Secretary, Minority Health, Office of Public Health and Science, Office of the Assistant Secretary, Health; and public witnesses.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUTURE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing on The Future of Universal Service: To Whom, By Whom, For What, and How Much? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3329, Homes for Heroes Act of 2007; H.R. 6309, Lead-Safe Housing for Kids Act of 2008; H.R. 4461, Community Building Code Administration Grant Act of 2007; and H.R. 4049, Money Service Business Act of 2007.

Will continue markup tomorrow.

BUSINESS ACTIVITY TAX SIMPLIFICATION ACT OF 2008

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on H.R. 5267, Business Activity Tax Simplification Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from Representatives Boucher and Goodlatte; R. Bruce Johnson, Commissioner, Tax Commission, State of Utah; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL SECURITY LETTERS REFORM ACT OF 2007; SUBPOENA

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution approved for full Committee action H.R. 3189, National Security Letters Reform Act of 2007.

The Subcommittee also approved a resolution authorizing the Chairman to issue a subpoena to compel the testimony of Douglas Feith.

ONLINE PHARMACIES AND THE PROBLEM OF INTERNET DRUG ABUSE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on Online Pharmacies and the Problem of Internet Drug Abuse. Testimony was heard from Joseph T. Rannazzisi, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office